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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR ALLIED INTERVENTION WITH SOVIETS
RE DOUBLING OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE REQUIREMENT FOR VISITS

1. ALTHOUGH SENAT WAS PREPARED TO SETTLE FOR COMPROMISE
ON GDR'S DOUBLING OF COMPULSORY FOREIGN EXCHANGE
REQUIREMENTS FOR VISITORS (REFTEL) PROVIDED PENSIONERS
WERE EXCEPTED, WHEN SENAT REP KUNZE SAW GDR REP MITDANK
NOVEMBER 7, LATTER INDICATED THIS WAS NOT IMPOSSIBLE.
ACCORDINGLY, SENAT CHANCELLERY DIRECTOR HERZ IMMEDIATELY
THEREAFTER REQUESTED ALLIED MISSIONS TO INTERVENE
WITH SOVIETS THROUGH POAD-BELETSKIY CHANNEL. HERZ
SAID IN VIEW OF GDR REFUSAL TO EXEMPT PENSIONERS,
GDR ACTION VIOLATED BOTH SPIRIT OF QA AND SENAT-GDR
VISIT ARRANGMENTS PROVISION FOR FACILITATING AND
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IMPROVING TRAVEL AND VISITORS TRAFFIC.

2. WE BELIEVE AN APPROACH TO SOVIETS IS JUSTIFIED AND IF
EMBASSY AND DEPARTMENT CONCUR, WILL WORK OUT TEXT
WITH BRITISH AND FRENCH. GOVERNING MAYOR WILL ADDRESS
CURRENCY-EXCHANGE ISSUE BEFORE BERLIN HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES NOVEMBER 8; WE PLAN TO CAUTION SENAT

THAT IT WOULD BE UNDESIRABLE TO PUBLICIZE IN THIS
FORUM SUGGESTED ALLIED DEMARCHE TO SOVIETS.BORG

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